



DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY
BOARD FOR CORRECTION OF NAVAL RECORDS
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Docket No: 2580-00
22 May 2000

From: Chairman, Board for Correction of Naval Records
To: Secretary of the Navy

Subj: REVIEW OF NAVAL RECORD OF [REDACTED]

Ref: (a) 10 U.S.C. 1552

Encl: (1) DD Form 149 w/attachments
(2) Case Summary
(3) Subject's naval record

1. Pursuant to the provisions of reference (a), Petitioner, a former enlisted member of the Naval Reserve, filed enclosure (1) with this Board requesting in effect, that her naval records be changed to show current name and sex.

2. The Board, consisting of Mr. Pfeiffer, Mr. Adams, and Mr. Neuschafer, reviewed Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice on 3 May 2000 and, pursuant to its regulations, determined that the corrective action indicated below should be taken on the available evidence of record. Documentary material considered by the Board consisted of the enclosures, naval records, and applicable statutes, regulations and policies.

3. The Board, having reviewed all the facts of record pertaining to Petitioner's allegations of error and injustice finds as follows:

a. Before applying to this Board, Petitioner exhausted all administrative remedies available under existing law and regulations within the Department of the Navy.

b. Enclosure (1) was filed in a timely manner.

c. Petitioner, who was then a male, enlisted in the Naval Reserve on 24 May 1971 at age 21. He reported for initial active duty for training for Class A School on 22 June 1971. Upon completion of the school, he was reassigned back to a Naval Reserve unit. He was honorably discharged by reason of expiration of term of service on 23 May 1977.

d. In support of the application, Petitioner submitted a court order and other documents which reflect that he has changed his name from [REDACTED] to Jannelle Johnson.

e. In some situations, a former servicemember will be provided with a "Statement of Service". This document sets forth the individual's name, other identifying data, and the period of time the individual served on active duty. Such a statement could be issued to Petitioner in her current name, and this statement of service would be added to the record.

CONCLUSION:

Upon review and consideration of all the evidence of record, the Board concludes that Petitioner's request warrants partial relief. The Board believes that it would be appropriate to create a document that will show Petitioner's period of service with her present name and gender. The Statement of Service for Petitioner should set forth her current name and the dates she served on initial active duty for training and in the Naval Reserve. However, the Board also believes that any corrections to Petitioner's service record would be inappropriate since the record correctly shows that a man named [REDACTED] served in the Naval Reserve from 24 May 1971 to 23 May 1977. Accordingly, the Board believes that such a Statement of Service should be provided to Petitioner showing her current name and the period of service.

In view of the foregoing, the Board finds the existence of an injustice warranting the following corrective action.

RECOMMENDATION:

a. That a Statement of Service be prepared for Petitioner showing the time served in the Naval Reserve and her present name and gender.


b. That a copy of the foregoing Statement of Service be placed in Petitioner's naval record.

c. That no further relief be granted.

d. That a copy of this Report of Proceedings be filed in Petitioner's naval record.

4. It is certified that a quorum was present at the Board's review and deliberations, and that the foregoing is a true and complete record of the Board's proceedings in the above entitled matter.

ROBERT D. ZSALMAN
Recorder


ALAN E. GOLDSMITH
Acting Recorder

5. Pursuant to the delegation of authority set out in Section 6(e) of the revised Procedures of the Board for Correction of Naval Records (32 Code of Federal Regulations, Section 723.6(e)) and having assured compliance with its provisions, it is hereby announced that the foregoing corrective action, taken under the authority of reference (a), has been approved by the Board on behalf of the Secretary of the Navy.



For W. DEAN PFEIFFER
Executive Director